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speak.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Madam President and members of the Legislature, I'm going to ask Senator Tyson a question, if he doesn't mind engaging me in a discussion. Senator Tyson, you were about to mention something to me just before I was called on, so would you like to mention it now and then we can have a little back and forth on the mike, or would you rather we do it otherwise?

SENATOR TYSON: You asked me did I understand what you were driving at, and I said, yes, I did. But I said...I mentioned to you that I think you are overlooking something, and what you're overlooking is from a practical, everyday standpoint, you can take any statute in that book and you can strain it far beyond the bounds that the Legislature ever meant it to go, but there's one thing that you can't do. You can't get away with it, because we have...there will be all sorts of public pressure, media pressure, Chambers pressure. How high does Chambers pressure get in PSI, Senator Chambers?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: (Laugh) Well...

SENATOR TYSON: You take my point.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...it hasn't even been calculated. But here's what I want to ask you, Senator Tyson. Isn't it true that what you're talking about is some force outside of a guideline put in the legislation that may moderate how this authority would be used? That's what you're banking on, aren't you, that the authority will not be pushed to the point that I'm suggesting it can be?

SENATOR TYSON: I...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Isn't that your argument?

SENATOR TYSON: I take your point. I would say this; that it is not in the best interest of the Board of Architects or Engineers to go one foot, \$1 beyond what is absolutely necessary to go for the case in point. The difficulty is...I'll put my light on if